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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/017467, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report has been filed concurrently with the present application and should thus have already been brought to the attention of the Examiner.

(1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-244712, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

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- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-99111, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. SHO 63-162145, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (4) Japanese Utility Model Publication No. HEI 4-73446, together with an English language translation of the claim thereof; and
- (5) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-536726, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and an English language patent family member Canadian Patent Publication No. CA 2 359 430.

The relevance of the documents cited in the International Search Report, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, are set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicant further submits the following documents.

- (6) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-333740, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (7) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 8-222887, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

Applicant notes that documents (6) and (7) are cited on page 3 of the specification of the above-captioned application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted documents, including the noted English language Abstracts and translation, are attached hereto, and are listed on an attached

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PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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